

## United States Department of the Interior

## GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

P. O. Box 26124 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125

June 25, 1980:

Memorandum

To:

Area Director, Navajo Area Office, BIA

From:

Mining Engineer, Albuquerque District, USGS, SCR

Subject: Drill Site Variance for Todilto Exploration and Development Corporation's Approved Exploration Plan on Navajo Allotted

Mining Lease NOO-C-14-20-8396

The captioned exploration plan was approved by this office on June 23, 1980, subject to the conditions and requirements set forth in the 'U. S. Geological Survey's Uranium Exploration Drilling Requirements", revised May 20, 1980.

According to these requirements, no drill sites may be constructed within 250 feet of an occupied residence, sheep-camp, archeological site, etc., without written approval of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the lessor.

In the approved exploration plan, TEDCO proposes to drill within this 250 foot limit. Before a variance can be given to TEDCO, we must have written approval from you. The lessor has already given his written approval to this variance (copy enclosed), and the National Park Service has issued archeological clearance for all the proposed drill sites.

It would be appreciated if you would send your written approval for this variance to this office as soon as possible.

David R. Sitzler

Enclosures

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